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Attorney General John Ashcroft

US Department of Justice

950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW

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Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I was recently informed that the DOJ has asked for the public's opinion on the antitrust lawsuit against Microsoft. As I feel very strongly about this issue, I decided to take full advantage of this opportunity. I am an avid support of Microsoft and if this settlement brings closure to this three-year battle against them, then I support the settlement as well. In my opinion, this lawsuit as done nothing but attempt to tear down the IT industry leader. In the process, major damage has been done to this industry and the economy. It is time to bring closure to this case and I hope that you will make the necessary decision to ensure this.

I have a hard time understanding the reasons behind the States' dissatisfaction with the settlement. The settlement seems fair and serves to ensure that future antitrust violations will not occur. Microsoft has even agreed to alter business practices that were not found to be unlawful, just so that this matter will close quickly. As for Microsoft competitors, they should be more than pleased that Microsoft has agreed to grant them much easier access to their company codes and interfaces. This is the first time that this has happened in an antitrust case. Additionally Microsoft will adhere to findings by a Technical Committee as it relates to compliance disputes.

I am confident that I am one of many people who feel the same way about this matter and hope that my comments and those of others will play heavily on your decision to wrap this matter up quickly. Thank you for taking the time to consider my thoughts on this matter.

Sincerely,

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